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Re: General responses to EPA directed BHHRA and BERA Comments (Lower Willamette River, Portland Harbor Superfund Site, USEPA Docket No: CERCLA-10-2001-0240)

Chip and Eric:

The resolutions provided in the attached tables provide the general framework for resolving EPA's directed comments on the BERA and BHHRA as discussed in the August 20, and September 9, 2010 meetings between the LWG and EPA. The risk assessments will be revised and specific responses provided to EPA in accordance with this general framework on the same timeline as the non-directed comments. If EPA believes that the specific text revisions provided are not consistent with the framework, additional discussion or direction can occur at that time and EPA agrees that LWG has not waived its rights to dispute the specific directed comments consistent with the agreed framework.

EPA has not yet provided comments on the benthic section of the BERA. The LWG therefore reserves the right to revisit these or similar EPA comments on the benthic section of the BERA.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Bob Wyatt", is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Bob Wyatt

cc: Confederated Tribes and Bands of the Yakama Nation
Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde Community of Oregon

Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians of Oregon
Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation
Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon
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